

What is Claimed:

1. A thin-client device for use in a home network comprising:
 2. a network port configured to connect the thin client device to the home network;
 3. and
 4. a data/memory port, coupled to the network port;
 5. whereby data available at the data/memory port is transferred to the home network via the network port.
1. 2. A thin client device according to claim 1, further including means for automatically transferring data from the data interface to the server.
1. 3. A thin client device according to claim 1, further including:
 2. a controller, coupled to the network port and the data/memory port;
 3. a control interface, coupled to the controller, and configured to receive commands to control transfer of data from the data/memory port to the home network.
1. 4. A thin client device according to claim 1 further including signal processing apparatus configured to process the data available at the data/memory port.
1. 5. A thin client device according to claim 1, wherein the data/memory port is a memory card interface.
1. 6. A thin client device according to claim 1, wherein the data/memory port is a data communications port.
1. 7. A thin client device according to claim 1, wherein the thin-client device is integrated with a digital versatile disc (DVD) player.

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1 8. A thin client device according to claim 1, wherein the client device is
2 integrated with a television set-top box.

1 9. A thin client device according to claim 1, wherein the client device is
2 integrated with a television receiver.

1 10. A thin client device according to claim 1, wherein the client device is
2 integrated with a compact disc (CD) player.